

Giants' Fielded Only One Pitcher for First Game Against Athletics

MACK HOPES TO USE ONLY THREE PITCHERS IN SERIES

Is Pointing Bender, Coombs and Plank to Struggle Against Giants—Twirler for First Game Not Selected.

BY J. ED GRILLO.

Bender, Coombs and Plank are being pointed for the world's series by Connie Mack. He is working these three twirlers three times each day in order to have them on edge when the big games open in New York next Saturday. While Connie Mack would not say so, it is understood that they will be worked in regular order, though it is doubtful which one of the three will face Mathewson on the opening day of the series. Against the Cubs Mack used only Bender and Coombs last year, but he figured that a left-hander of Plank's ability stands a good chance of fooling the Giants. Furthermore, Plank has been a very consistent performer this year and is said to be in particularly good condition at the present time.

Mack is giving the matter of who shall pitch his first game against the Giants a whole lot of thought. What he would like to know is how good Mack Mathewson will perform that day. He feels that McGraw will start with his star twirler, and if he is at his best there is but little chance to beat him, even if he is opposed by Bender. Bender, however, stands a good chance of beating the Giants, and it is a question with Mack whether it will be good policy to send him against Mathewson or allow either Plank or Coombs to take the chance against him and thus save Bender for an easier game. Notwithstanding the fact that the opinion prevails in many quarters that the Athletics are going to pound Matty, Mack is not so confident of this. He realizes that in Mathewson's team will have to face a grand pitcher, who is sure to be in his very best form for the series, and he would rather have any one of his other pitchers beaten by him than Bender.

SCOTT'S HORSE WINS

Martin W. Littleton Takes Fine Race From Sir John Johnson.

SURPRISE BY UTTERBACK

Manassas Horseman Puts Over Black Branch at 50 to 1—Ross-hampton Lands Steeplechase.

As the meeting at Laurel advances the crowds continue to grow larger, and yesterday, even though the card was the lightest of the meeting, and the weather cloudy and threatening, the attendance was by far the best seen, with the exception of Monday, when ladies were admitted free.

Although the card was light in numbers, the fields in each race were well matched, and it was no surprise to see the string end up in the race today.

In the first and second events two horses reached the finish so close together that it was impossible to tell which had won until the official placing had been made.

The handicap for all ages, at six furlongs, occupied the position of the main event, and as it had a good field of sprinters named it was an interesting struggle all the way and in the end, through the stretch Martin W. Littleton closed so strongly that he was able to take the lead in the last eighth of the race and beat the favorite, Sir John Johnson, in a drive by three parts of a length. The six furlongs were run in the fastest time of the meeting.

The steeplechase did not prove to be much of a contest, although it was a bet, and the winner, Ross-hampton, was a surprise. The race was run in the usual manner, and at the end, Ross-hampton won by a margin of three parts of a length. Diebold and Magellan fell in the race, while Charivari was used.

The horses of H. G. Bedwell have arrived at Laurel, and that owner did not lose any time, as he has quite a number of horses to race. The new arrival, Jockey Steele was among the new arrivals at the track.

At the track, Jimmy Blute has parted company, and there is a good chance that Frank Regan will be given time to get back to his old work.

Obert was set down for two days Monday, but he was allowed to ride for his employer yesterday.

There is a number of the owners that are shifting from the Pimlico track to the Laurel course, among which are Ernie Hall and the Ramapo stable.

GIANTS' STEALING WILL NOT COUNT IN BIG GAMES

Runners Dare Not Take Desperate Chances Where One Game May Decide Championship, Declares Ty Cobb.

"Base running will not be the important factor in the world's series that many of those who dope the Giants to win games on speed seem to think. In fact, it will not surprise me if the base-stealing ability of McGraw's team proves no material element in the winning or losing of the contests, and is at no time notably in evidence."

This is a statement made by Ty Cobb, who should be qualified to view as an expert any question involving base running and its value. Cobb is a close student of the game, watched the Athletics and Cubs carefully last fall, and himself has seen three series from the inside. In addition, of course, he has been a leading base runner ever since he came into professional ball, and this year has set a new base-stealing record for the American League.

"This is why I say that the record of thefts that the Giants have piled up should not be considered too greatly in running does not count in a short series. It never has, and never can. Each single game is a matter of too much importance. Any time you try to steal a base you give the opposing team a chance to put you out. Those chances, unless your team is in front and hitting the pitchers, as the Athletics were last fall, you cannot afford to take."

Must Play Safe.

"You must play the game reasonably safe, and depend on your hitting and your pitching, because the loss of any one single game may result in the loss of the series. It is a matter of too much importance. Any time you try to steal a base you give the opposing team a chance to put you out. Those chances, unless your team is in front and hitting the pitchers, as the Athletics were last fall, you cannot afford to take."

REGULAR LINE-UPS FOR OPENING GAME

Manager McGraw Not Worried Over Physical Condition of Giants.

NEW YORK, October 11.—"Managers have their troubles, but the physical condition of the players probably will be the least of them in the world's series of 1911," remarked John McGraw, manager of the New York Nationals, as he dropped in the club's headquarters on Broadway yesterday. "The weather is the worst, the coming games between the Giants and Philadelphia Athletics will be unusual, for all ball players—baseball players—have their regular line-ups in fine fettle."

If the weather clears the Giants will play Brooklyn in a double-header today, and the games will be nothing more than exercises for those whom McGraw wants to see in the field. He is not worried over the physical condition of his players, but he is worried over the fact that the Giants have not yet had a game since the season opened. He is worried over the fact that the Giants have not yet had a game since the season opened.

GIANTS' FIELDING

How They Stand.

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	32	32	.500
Philadelphia	32	32	.500
Brooklyn	32	32	.500
Pittsburgh	32	32	.500
Cleveland	32	32	.500
St. Louis	32	32	.500
Chicago	32	32	.500
Boston	32	32	.500
Washington	32	32	.500
San Francisco	32	32	.500
Los Angeles	32	32	.500
San Diego	32	32	.500
Portland	32	32	.500
Seattle	32	32	.500
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YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

Brooklyn, 2; New York, 1.

Games Today.

None scheduled.

NATIONAL LEAGUE GAME.

Dodgers Beat Giants.

BROOKLYN, October 11.—Brooklyn closed its first season at home yesterday with a ten-inning victory over New York, 2 to 1.

The visitors scored their only run in the first on a fielder's choice, a batter hit and a run scored. The Athletics, who were the batting team, were out in the first inning. The Athletics were out in the first inning.

INJURED PLAYERS WHO WILL NOT BE OUT OF WORLD'S SERIES



"STUFFY" MCINNIS LARRY DOYLE

ATHLETICS AND THE GIANTS TEAMS OF RUN GETTERS

Some Personal Characteristics in Which the Players of Both Clubs Are Alike—New York Has Most Sprinters.

By John B. Foster.

Special Dispatch to The Star.

NEW YORK, October 11.—In all the comparisons which have been made of the teams which are to play for the world's base ball championship, based on the personal characteristics of the players on the ball field. It seems as if that is worth a word.

In some respects the Giants and the Athletics are dissimilar. In others they are alike. As much alike as peas in a pod, if both teams are not what may be called "runners." They have played many games in which they have bunched their hits and swept the platter clean, gray and all.

As a rule, it seems probable that the Athletics have employed the bunt more in their games than the Giants. That is a characteristic in which the teams are dissimilar. Not that the Giants cannot bunt if the game demands it, but their method of play has been based on a different style of attack.

Working the Heavy Artillery.

The Athletics are fond of getting a man on first, pushing him second and then crashing into the pitcher with their heavy artillery. When they get into action with that method working satisfactorily they become dangerous, for they have some batters who are "black" as coal.

They don't confine themselves to singles if they can help it, but belt the ball as far as they can.

Neither of the teams is likely to lag if the game starts adversely by a run or two. They have pulled through too often during the season to be worried unnecessarily by a moderately disadvantageous beginning.

The fact that there are great similarities between the teams as regards personality is one of the strongest arguments in favor of the Athletics. They have been matched through the dispensation of the base ball year.

In many respects it is a more convincing argument as to the probable keenness of the coming series than any comparison of records.

BOWLING BATTLES.

NORTHEAST DUCKPIN LEAGUE.

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GIANTS MORE LIKE SPRINTERS.

Runners on the bases for the Athletics seem more staid than the runners who are in the progress of attempted run making for the Giants. Taken collectively, the Giants are more approximately sprinters than the Athletics. They are on their toes balancing for a quick start.

NATIONAL CAPITAL DUCKPIN LEAGUE.

Washington, D.C.

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Washington	108	108	.500
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PERTINENT COMMENT

On Happenings in Sportdom

BY J. ED GRILLO.

Talk to any American League player or manager, barring the Athletics, and you will be told that Jack Coombs is the best pitcher in the world. He is by no means a novice at this base ball game, looks upon Coombs as the one man he can depend upon in the world's series.

The fact that Coombs has been hit hard on numerous occasions during the past season, though he has won a large majority of his games, seems to make the critics a bit skeptical about his prowess as a Giant twirler, though his wonderful work against the Cubs should never be overlooked. There may be nothing sensational about Coombs' work, but he is a great man to repeat and improves with a lot of work. With Bender it is different. He is sure to pitch his first game in the series, and unless he can have four days' rest he is not apt to be good when he comes back. That is the difference in the physical make-up of the two men. The one has stamina and recuperative powers which the other lacks, and that is why Mack is counting whole lot on Coombs.

Mathewson, like Coombs, can stand a lot of work. That is why he is counting on more of real rest before going into these important games.

Just now there is no way to figure the Giants a cinch, as many believe them to be. It may be entirely different when the season is over. It is a matter of time before the Giants will have to face the Athletics in the series, and it is a matter of time before the Giants will have to face the Athletics in the series.

TENNIS SOWS UP

Only Two Matches Decided in Women's Tourney Yesterday.

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